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PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES: BOARD OF ACCOUNTANCY

MEETING DATE AND TIME: Wednesday, February 15, 2012 at 9:00 a.m.

PLACE: 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware

Conference Room B, second floor of the Cannon Building

MINUTES APPROVED: April 18, 2012

MEMBERS PRESENT

Judith Scarborough, Professional Member, Secretary Robert Mosch, Professional Member Jeffrey Premo, Professional Member Robert Paretta, Educational Member Gary Pippin, Public Member Denise Stokes, Public Member

ABSENT

Michael Wollaston, Professional Member, President James Cohee, Professional Member Sharron Cirillo, Professional Member

DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL

Daniel Stevenson, Deputy Attorney General Shelly Ide, Administrative Specialist II

ALSO PRESENT

Dana Rubenstein, Delaware Society of CPA

CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Scarborough called the meeting to order at 9:31am.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Ms. Stokes, seconded by Mr. Pippin, to approve the minutes of the January 18, 2012 meeting, after corrections are made as noted by Ms. Scarborough. The motion carried unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Final Denial of Application

Mr. Paretta made a motion, seconded by Ms. Stokes to formally deny the CPA Permit application for Bibiana Stewart. The motion carried unanimously.

Review of CPE Ethics Courses

Mr. Paretta made a motion, seconded by Mr. Pippin, to approve Continuing Academics CPE Tutor and PASS Online, and to table the application from Bisk Education pending changes to reflect the current & upcoming Rules & Regulation changes in the materials. The motion carried unanimously.

Board Order Updates

The Board members present signed the Board Order for Deborah Champagne, as submitted by Danny Stevenson, DAG.

Ms. Ide informed the Board that as of today, we have not received any response from Jones, Moore, & Associates in regards to their Board Order.

Continuing Education Extension

The continuing education materials submitted by Kaveena Barretto were tabled and forwarded to the Hearing Officers for a Rule to Show Cause Hearing. Ms. Barretto did not meet the 6 month extension deadline and she did not submit her CPE log along with her documentation.

NEW BUSINESS

Review of CPA Permit Applications

A motion was made by Mr. Mosch, seconded by Ms. Stokes, to approve the applications of Jacquelyn Coyle, Tara Wisely, and Kenneth Green, and to table the applications of Min Huang and Kelly Tsang, both completed CPEs as self study. They have one year from date of application to complete the additional requirements. The motion carried unanimously.

Review of Combined CPA Certificate and Permit Applications

A motion was made by Ms. Stokes, seconded by Mr. Pippin, to approve the applications of Kelly Oh, Kristen Birkeland, Saleem Hirani, Daniel Valentino, Polei Warnke, Yashar Ismailov, Jason Vaughan, Michael Heavey, Leonard Dyer, Yaw Sapong, Ronald Shimko, Jamie Oakjones, Jennifer Lawrence, Susan Novellino and to table the applications of Marie-France Walker and Moonsoo Ko. The motion carried unanimously.

Review of CPA Firm Permit Applications

A motion was made by Mr. Paretta, seconded by Mr. Mosch, to approve the applications of BT Accountants & Advisors, LLC and Hunt and Company, CPA, PA and to table the application of Tax & Accounting Advisors, LLC, pending the firm having additional associates or a name change to reflect that there are no associates. The Board also decided that CliftonLarsonAllen LLC does not have an office in Delaware, and therefore, does not require a CPA Permit. The motion carried unanimously.

Ratification of CPA Certificate Applications

A motion was made by Mr. Mosch, seconded by Ms. Stokes, to ratify the applications of Suvitha Kunjur, Muhammad Ullah, & Akane Matsuda. The motion carried unanimously.

Delaware Ethics Course Application

Ethics for Delaware CPAs from CCH Tax and Accounting was distributed to Mr. Mosch for review and will be discussed at the next meeting.

Complaint Status

04-03-10	Closed
04-07-10	Open
04-02-11	Open
04-03-11	Open
04-04-11	Open
04-05-11	Open
04-06-11	Open
04-02-12	Open
04-03-12	Open

Update on Progress of CE Audit Responses

The agenda was amended to include an update on the CPE Audit files. The board rereviewed the deficient files, as requested by the Hearing Officers & approved the continuing education audits of Shuping Chang & Denis Rousseau and to referred the files of Saumil Shah, Lin Gui, Joyce Kam, Yimei (Isabella) Yao, Ava Hin Pui Chan, Akitoshi Mizoe to the hearing officers for Rule to Show Cause Hearings.

OTHER BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD

The Board reviewed a Continuing Education Approval Form utilized by other professional boards & Ms. Ide is going to format one for the Board of Accountancy. This will be presented at the March meeting for finalization.

New NASBA Regional Directors' Focus questions – Ms. Scarborough is compiling the answers for the Focus Questions from NASBA.

Ms. Rubenstein asked the Board if a firm could use a name other than the one on their firm permit. The Board discouraged any such activity & recommended that if a firm was doing so, it would be 'complaint worthy' as there's no way to track a firm who is using a fictitious name.

Ms. Ide received a request for Committee Interest via an email from Anita Holt, NASBA. The Board members present had no interest.

Ms. Scarborough read a correspondence from NASBA stating the Uniform CPA Examination Fees. The NASBA and AICPA fees per examination section are currently \$18.00 and \$95.00, respectively. These fees will remain constant for 2012. As announced last year, the AICPA per section fee will be reduced by \$5 to \$90 beginning January 1, 2013. The following table summarizes the 2012-2014 fees:

	NASBA	AICPA	Prometric	Prometric
	Section Fee	Section Fee	Hourly Fee	Identity Fee
2012	\$18.00	\$95.00	\$19.10	\$5.95
2013	\$18.00	\$90.00	\$19.10	\$5.95
2014	\$18.00	\$90.00	TBD	TBD

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PUBLIC COMMENT

None

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 18, 2012, at 9:00 am in Conference Room B, second floor of the Cannon Building, 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Mr. Premo, seconded by Mr. Mosch, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 11:35am.

Respectfully submitted,

Shelly Ide

Administrative Specialist II